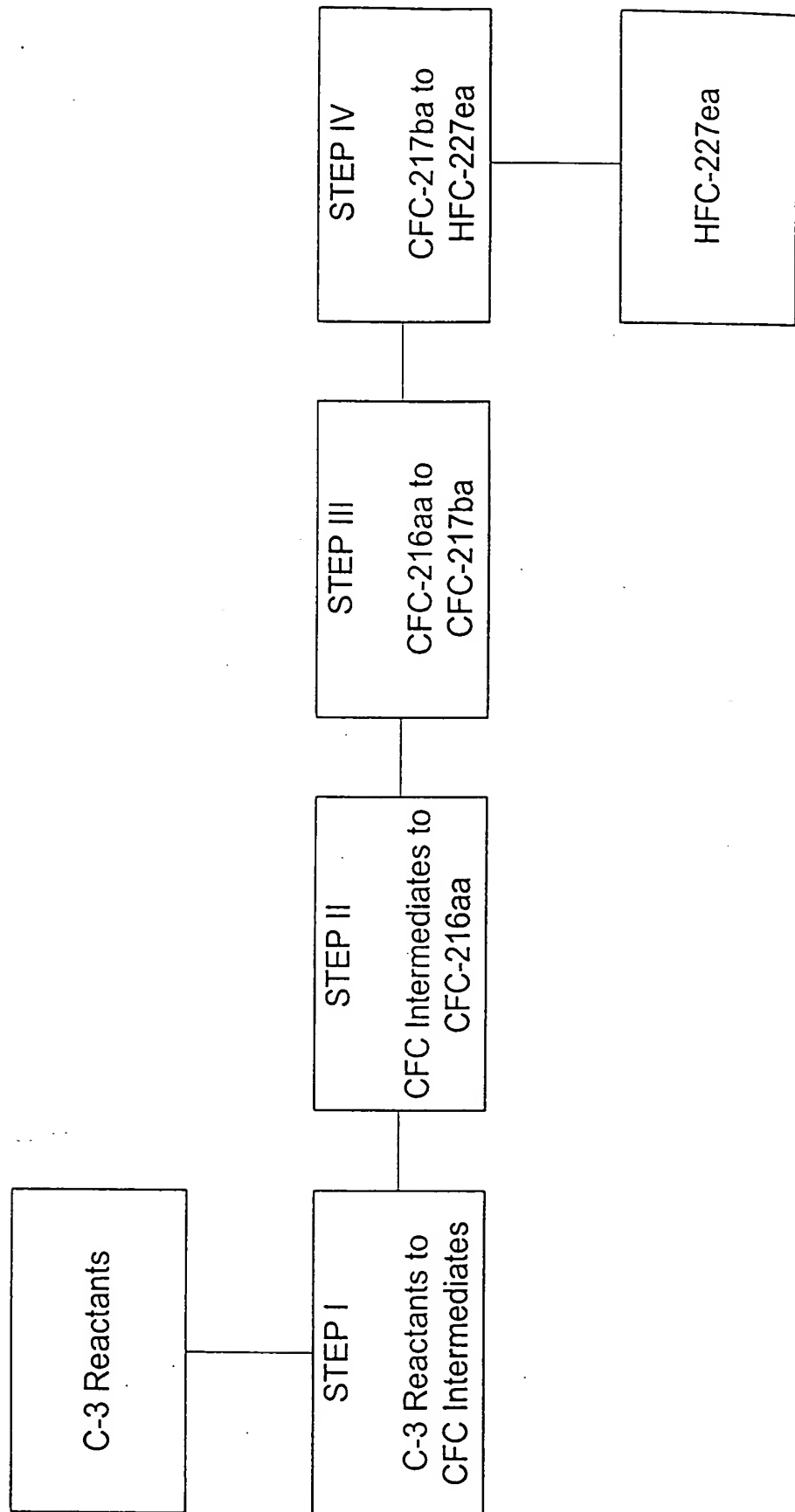
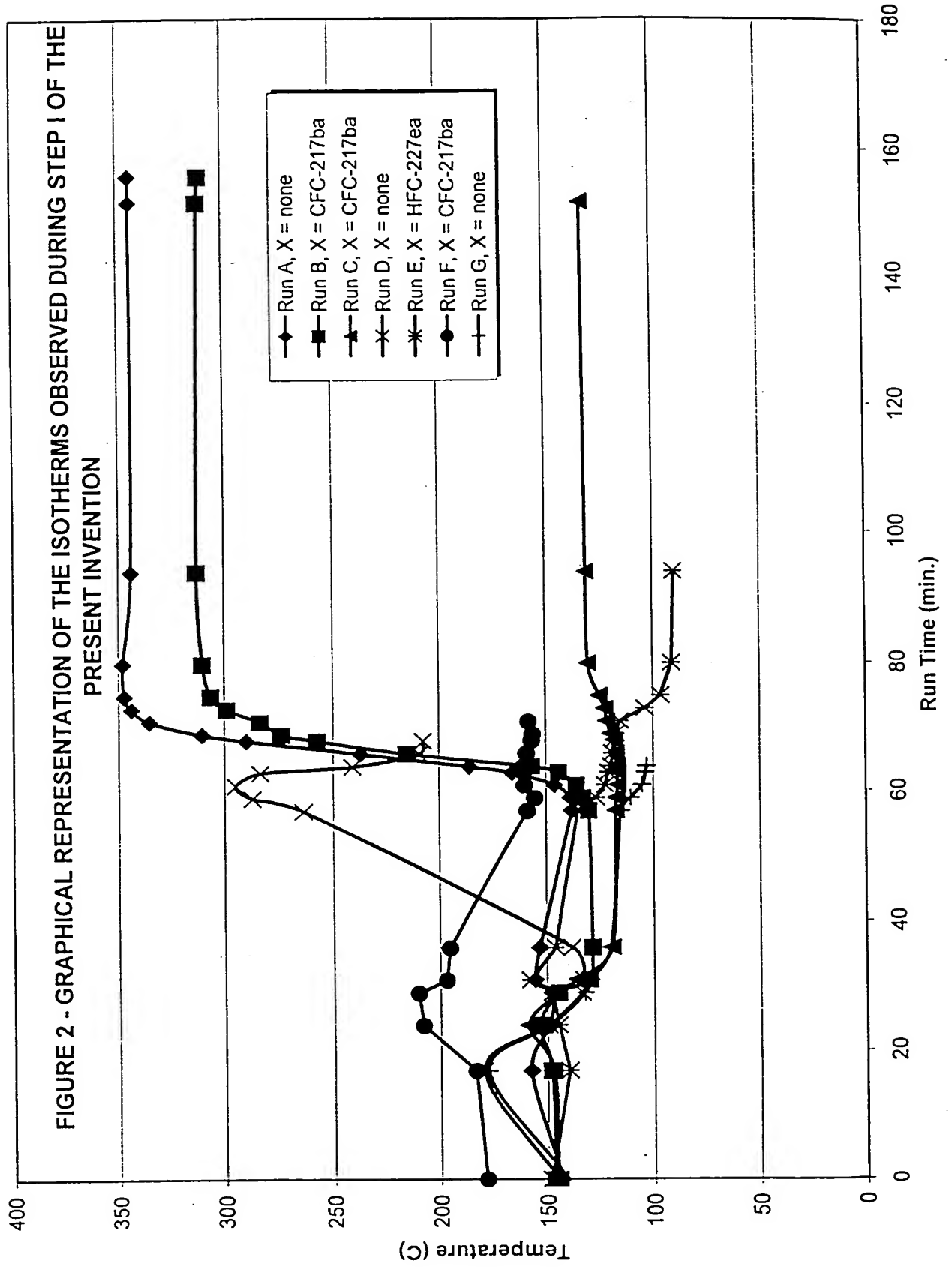


FIGURE 1





Step I

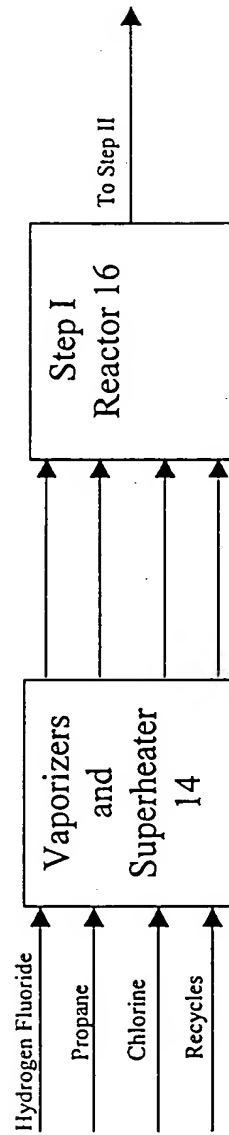
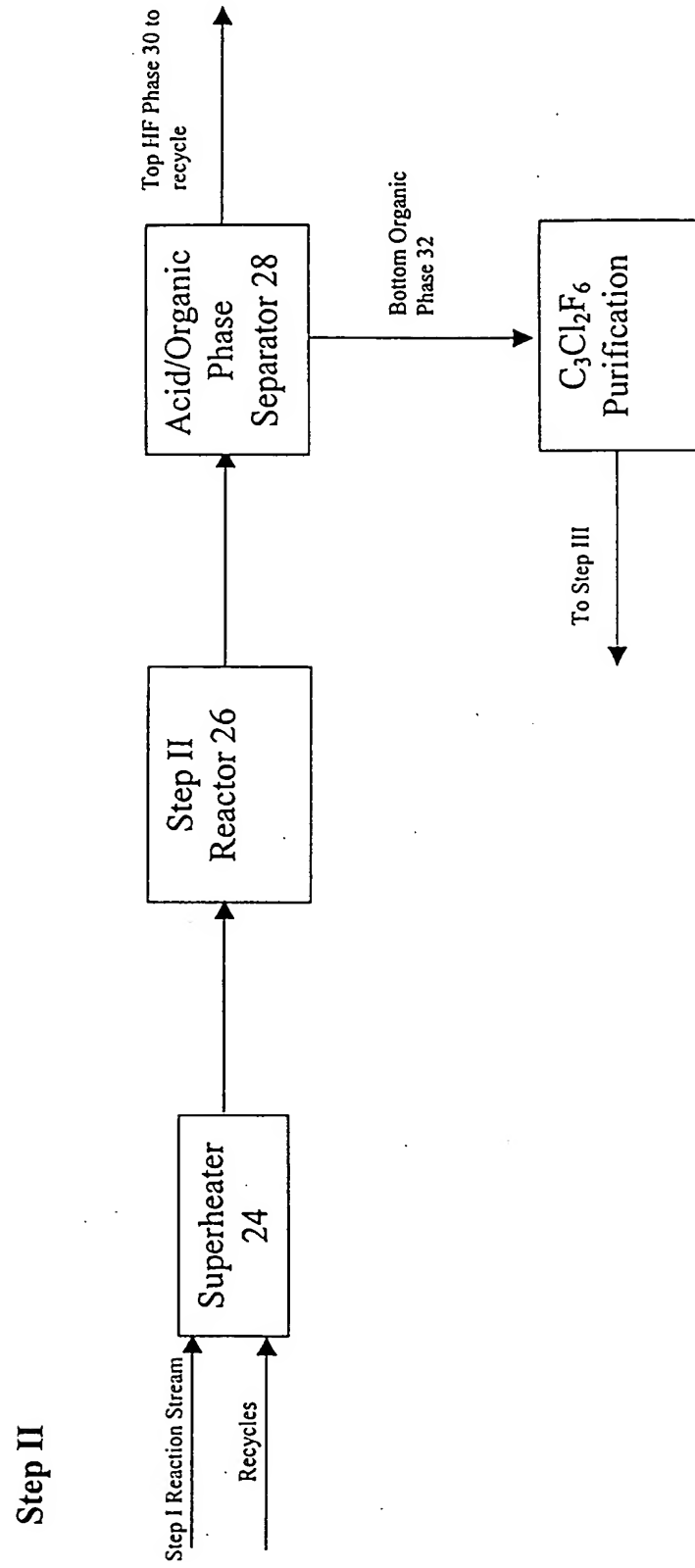


FIGURE 3



**FIGURE 4**

Step III

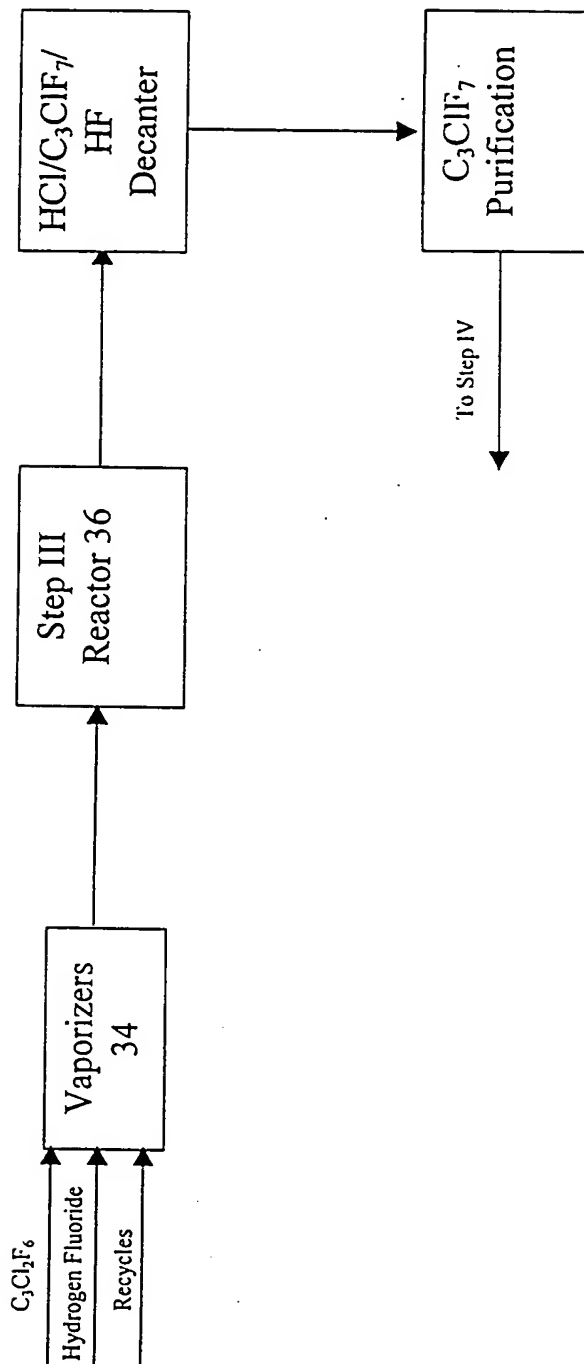


FIGURE 5

Step IV

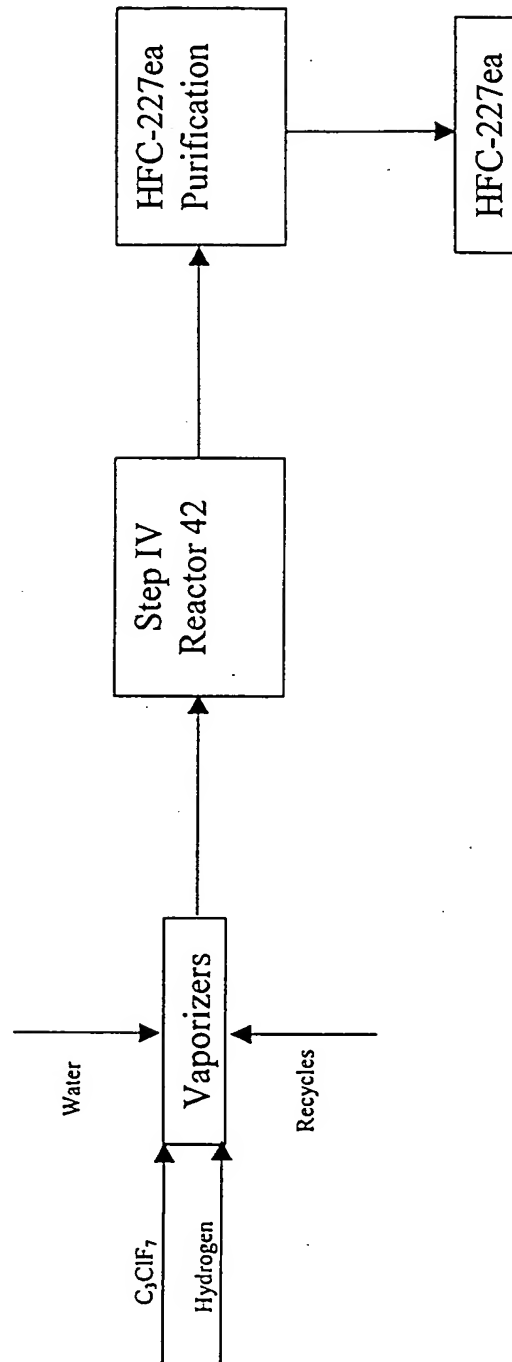


FIGURE 6

FIGURE 7 - GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION of the INCREASED CATALYST LIFE OBSERVED in an EMBODIMENT OF STEP IV

